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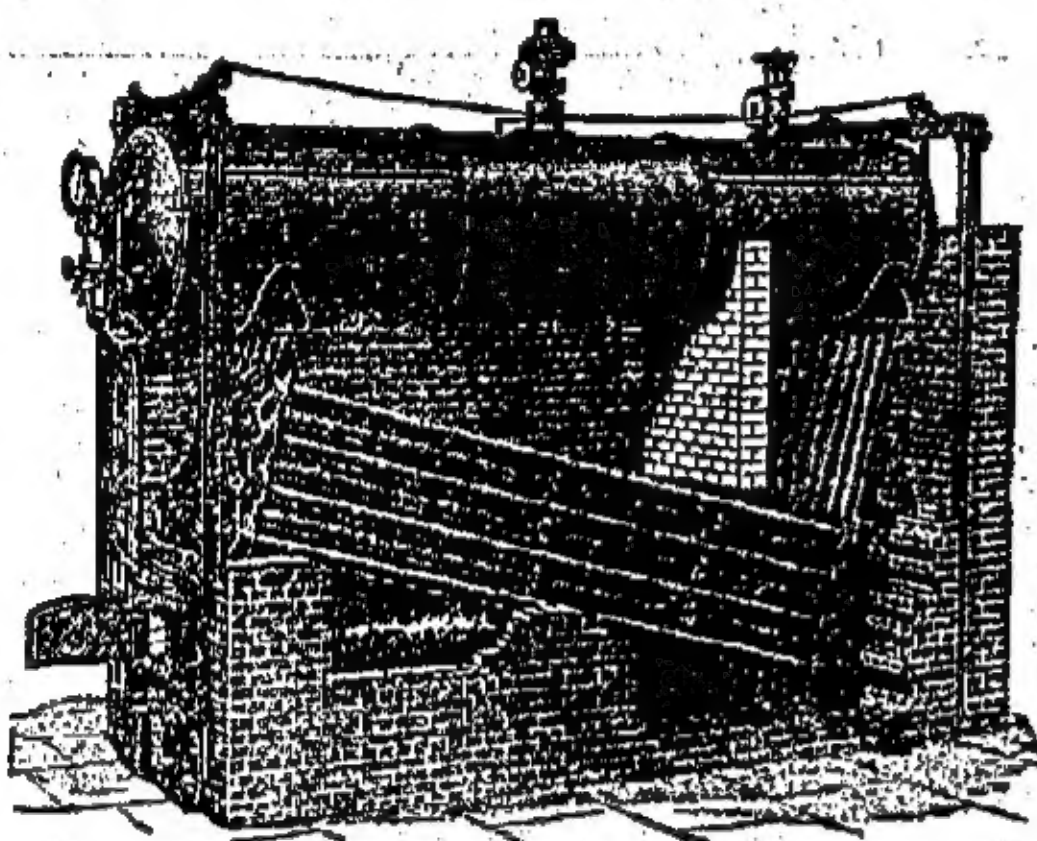
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Hongkong, January 9, 1899.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account
of the year 1899 at the rate of FIVE
CENTS per SHARE, (or FIVE PER CENT. on
the Capital of the Company) will be PAY-
ABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANK, HONGKONG, on and after the 28th
Instant, on Warrants to be obtained from
the Undersecretary. Local Shareholders are
requested to apply to the Company's Office
for their Warrants.

The DIVIDEND will also be Payable at
the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK,
Shanghai, on presentation of Warrants
thereof and after the same date.
The REGISTER of SHARES will be
CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 21st Inst.,
until WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant,
both days inclusive, during which period
No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.
By Order,
A. H. MANOELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 11, 1899. 2460

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NOTICE.

From Official Liquidator of the
CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.,
IN LIQUIDATION.

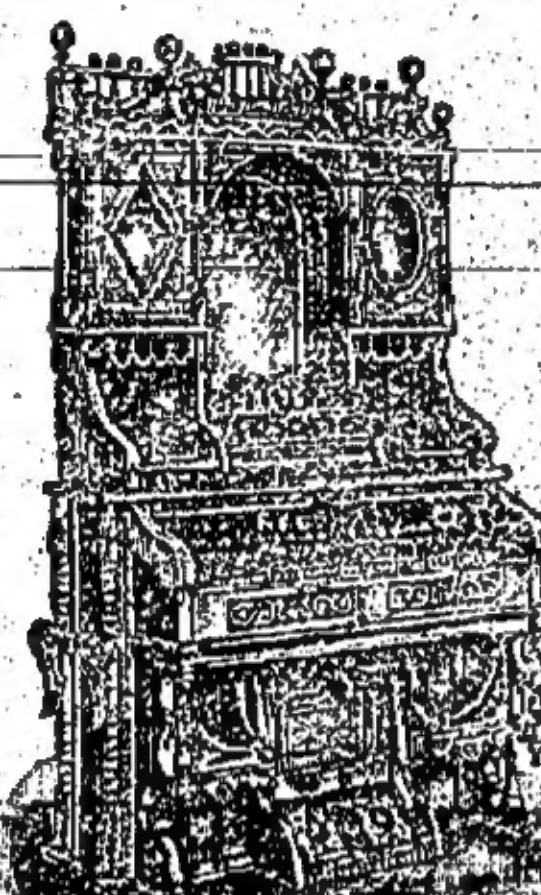
UNDER the Terms of a Scheme of
Reconstruction sanctioned by the
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of
Hongkong on the 21st day of October, 1899,
an Agreement of Reconstruction has been
entered into by me, the Official Liquidator
of the CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,
in Liquidation, (hereinafter called the
'Old Company') with a new Company
registered on the 1st day of November, 1899,
called 'The China Borneo Company,
Limited' (hereinafter called the 'New Com-
pany'). The agreement is dated the 23rd
day of October, 1899, and can be seen at
Office of the Registrar of Companies, Hong-
kong, where it is filed. The nominal capi-
tal of the New Company is \$100,000, divided
into 7,000 Shares of Twenty Dollars each.
Each holder of a Share or Shares in the
Old Company (on each of which \$25 has
been credited as paid up) is entitled, on
payment of \$5 per Share and delivering
up the scrip for his Share or Shares in the
Old Company, to a Share or Shares in the
New Company on which \$10 will be deemed
to have been paid up in respect of the \$20
face value of such Share. The remaining
\$10 will be called up at such time,
and in such manner as may think fit.
The Consulting Committee may think fit
to call up the fully paid up shares in the
Old Company is entitled, on delivering up
the scrip for his fully paid up shares in the
Old Company, to an equal number of fully
paid up shares in the New Company.
Written notice of dissent from the pro-
posed scheme of reconstruction must be
lodged with me at the above address
within twenty-one days from the date of this
Notice.

Application by Shareholders in the Old
Company must be made within twenty-one
days from the date of this notice.

Forms of application by shareholders in
the Old Company can be obtained from me
the undersigned.

J. WHEATLEY,
Official Liquidator of the
China Borneo Co. Ltd., 41, Leadenhall Street,
London E.C.3.

Hongkong, November 9, 1899. 2418



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Hongkong, November 22, 1899. 2257

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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Hongkong, January 9, 1899.

Notes by the Way.

Russia is reported to have over 30,000 troops at Peking Day.

A plague patient having died at Kobo his body was cremated.

H.M.S. "Ships" left Shanghai for up river on the 23rd November.

Russia is becoming a customer for jinnichas, and the export trade from Japan is flourishing.

Several Indian policemen have been charged at the Singapore Assizes with receiving bribes.

A fine description of the departure of the "Scots Guards" from London will be found on Page 5.

Mr. Bristow, formerly of the Consular Service, is now visiting North China in connection with the Peking Syndicate.

The petition of divorce filed on behalf of Mrs. McKelvey, daughter of Mr. E. S. Bell, comes on for hearing in the Yokohama Chuo District Court on December 5.

The bluejackets and marines sent up from Simon's Town to form the Naval Contingent in South Africa were dressed in khaki, and their guns were painted the same colour.

An "A.B.S." Prayer for our Soldiers engaged in the Transvaal War. While it does credit to his religious and patriotic sentiment, it is scarcely up to publication standard.

The Yokohama Special Bank contributed 235 5/6 to the Lord Mayor's Transvaal Relief Fund. In itself this is a small matter, but it serves to indicate how our British friends at the present juncture.

Out of seven cases of plague at Kobo, six have proved fatal. Dr. Kitchener, the first discoverer of the plague bacilli, is now in Kobo superintending the measures for the prevention of the spread of the disease.

Mr. J. McLeary Brown, who has been an important political personage since his transfer from Hongkong to Seoul, is now on a visit to the Colony. Mr. Brown is the Financial Adviser of the Korean Government.

In concluding his judgment in the Joly Insurance Case at Shanghai, Sir N. J. Hannen (Chief Justice) said: "I cannot refrain from adding that I feel the fullest sympathy with Mrs. Joly, but I am not here as a lawyer."

It seems to be fairly certain, from reports to hand from Cape Ports, that the meteoric shower, which has caused so much fuss in Hongkong, did not "eventuate." Local observers will therefore have another run for their money, and will have time to add to their store of telescopes by next November.

The "Volunteer Gazette" Special Cable Service stated on the 22nd inst. that the 1st Battalion of the Scots Guards had gone to Durban. In the list of officers were: "ed in the fight at Belmont on the 23rd inst."—reported in our Special Telegrams on Saturday—there appear the names of three officers of that Battalion, which must therefore be nearer Kimberley than Durban.

The Inter-Company Challenge Shield of the Shanghai Y. C. is held by "A" Company. This Company was challenged by the German Company, which has been doing some good volley firing, but the holders of the Shield, had little difficulty in retaining the trophy. With twelve men on side, the "A" Company scored 683 over the 700 and 800 yards ranges, and the German scored 653.

We hear that the German employees of the Hongkong Dock Company have started a contribution to the Hongkong Transvaal Fund. Each contributor, we believe, gives, approximately, a day's salary—a form of contribution that was adopted by many large establishments during the Crimean War, and which is being followed, we observe, by many large labour centres in England, Scotland and Ireland at the present time.

The "Gee Mail" believes that the total fighting strength of the Boers cannot be less than 50,000. In the engagements fought up to the present, the Boers have always been numerically stronger than the British forces opposed to them, and yet, whether it was in repelling attack or in carrying strategic positions, protected by artillery, the British soldiers have acquitted themselves with their old-time valour, and won fresh laurels for the British army. It is a small army, but—

At Rangoon, the other day, a fine, grade steamer was engaged by the Judicial Commissioners for six months, for saving the lives of a large number of people. The steamer was a "fool" and "I do not think much of your ability on this point." We have heard judges and magistrates criticised openly from the bar for having allowed the steamer to go, with the exception of Mr. Justice Fielding Clarke, the programme of the judicial chair-lifters actually took the steamer to sea. Mr. Justice Clarke said: "I am not a judge, but I am a man of law."

'Common Furor' letter is unavoidably held over, as Mr. Whitehead's Protest, owing to pressure on our columns to-day.

Sir Claude Macdonald. On his arrival at Shanghai, Sir Claude Macdonald was waited upon, informally, by a delegation of the China Association. He was compelled to refuse an invitation to a banquet owing to the brevity of his stay.

Death by Misadventure. Captain John Evans, a well known soldier, sailing from Yokohama, died in the German hospital at that port just week from the effects of an overdose of alcohol, which he was in the habit of taking for insomnia.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

London, November 24.

THE WAR. THE BELMONT VICTORY.

The British losses at Belmont were 58 killed, 145 wounded and 21 missing. The Boer losses were 4 killed and 21 wounded. Fifty prisoners were taken, including a German Commandant and six British soldiers. The Boer force, supported by the Natal Brigade Artillery, carried three ridges in succession at the point of the bayonet. The victory was complete. The enemy fought with skill and courage. The casualties among the officers were chiefly from the Guard regiments.

ROSEN STATEMENT OF LOSSES.

Official returns at Pretoria give the Boer losses as the standard of the war, at 11 killed and 594 wounded.

SIR CHARLES WARREN'S DEPARTURE.

Sir Charles Warren sails in the "Northern Castle" on Saturday.

MORE MILITIA REGIMENTS.

An army order embodies eight more Militia regiments.

LADYSMITH.

A Boer despatch states that a British sortie from Ladysmith in the direction of Elandsburg was repulsed by the Boer Artillery.

MOOI RIVER CAMP.

On Tuesday the Boers threw several shells into the camp at Mooi River, where the Queens, Devon, Welsh, and other regiments are encamped.

MAREKING.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" correspondent is Mareking states that fever is rife among the garrison owing to bad water.

CAPE COLONY.

The troops arriving at Oudneytown are THE DRAGOONS GO TO DURBAN.

HILLYARD.

A heavy bombardment and musketry fire was heard yesterday in the direction of Hillyard, which was doubtless due to General Hildyard engaging the enemy.

REPORTED RETIREMENT OF THE BOERS FROM NATAL.

The Boers are reported to be moving from Natal towards Bloemfontein.

THE BOER LOSSES AT BELMONT.

The Boer losses at Belmont are not known. A large number of horses, cattle, and ammunition were captured.

CAVALRY RECONNAISSANCE IN CAPE COLONY.

A Cavalry reconnaissance towards Arandee under General French found the enemy in strength and withdrew with three wounded.

REINFORCEMENTS.

The mobilization of a horse brigade and a division of Artillery has been ordered, to be in readiness for immediate service in South Africa.

THE MOUNTED INFANTRY FORCE IS ALSO TO BE STRENGTHENED.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

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To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE WAR.

ANOTHER BATTLE AT BELMONT.

REPUSE OF THE BOERS.

HEAVY LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES.

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THE RELIEF OF LADYSMITH.

ADVANCE OF BRITISH ARMY.

GENERAL JOUBERT DRIVEN BACK.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

London, November 27, 2.35 p.m.

There has been another desperate battle near Belmont. The Boer army attacked the British forces advancing to the relief of Kimberley, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

The loss on the British side was also very heavy, the Naval Contingent suffering especially. Several naval officers are among the killed and wounded.

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